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--NSC Midwest Safety Conference and Expo – 6/8-10/2022, Indianapolis IN

--ASSP Safety 2022 Professional Development Conference and Exposition - 6/26-29/2022,
Chicago IL

--NSC Safety Conference and Expo – 9/16-21/2022, San Diego CA

--PCA International Conference – 9/25-27/2022, Denver CO

SAFETY

OSHA Extends Comment Period on Proposal to Amend Recordkeeping Rules -

“OSHA has extended until June 30 the deadline to comment on a proposed rule that would revise injury and illness recordkeeping rules. According to a notice published in the May 25 *Federal Register*, OSHA granted a request for a 30-day extension to give stakeholders additional time to prepare and submit responses to the proposal. The agency requires electronic submissions of Form 300A – a yearly summary of injury and illnesses data – for establishments with 250 or more employees and those with 20-249 employees in certain high-hazard industries. A list of those industries is available in [Appendix A of 1904.41](#) [which includes manufacturing]. The proposal would change the regulation to require establishments with 100-plus employees in those high-hazard industries to submit injury and illness data from the more detailed Forms 300 and 301, in addition to Form 300A, each year. Establishments with 20 or more employees in certain high-hazard industries would have to submit data only from Form 300A.” Read the full article [here](#). (safetyandhealthmagazine.com, 5/25/2022)

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EPA Adoption of New Phase I ASTM Standard E1527 Delayed by Adverse

Comments - “Back in November of 2021, ASTM International issued its revised Standard Practice E1527-21 to replace its 2013 version setting forth the specific procedures and requirements for environmental professionals preparing Phase I environmental site assessments. . . On March 14, 2022, EPA issued [proposed and direct-final rules](#) to formally adopt the new standard . . and solicited public comment through April 13, 2022. The new standard was to become effective on May 13, 2022, after which purchasers of commercial property could rely on the new standard as part of their pre-acquisition due diligence activities. However, a number of stakeholders, including various environmental professionals and financial services industry representatives, submitted adverse public comments to the rulemaking. . . As a result of these adverse public comments, EPA [withdrew](#) its direct final rule on May 2 and is now preparing to address the comments in a subsequent final action based upon the proposed rule.” Read the full article [here](#). (Lexology, Squire Patton Boggs - Gary Pasheilich, 5/23/2022)

Hazardous Chemical Release Public Comment Period Extended - On 5/16/22, “EPA will accept public comments on the proposed rule to require planning for a worst-case discharge of hazardous substances until July 26, 2022. EPA announced the extension in the *Federal Register* on May 16, 2022. US EPA recently [proposed a new regulation](#) that would require certain facilities to create and submit a Facility Response Plan (FRP) for a ‘worst case’ discharge of a hazardous substance listed in the Clean Water Act.” The previous deadline was 5/27/2022. Read the full article [here](#). (Lion Technology, Inc., Roseanne Bottone, Roger Marks, 5/16/2022)

At a Glance, Enforcement of Environmental Rules in the U.S. – This article is a good summary of who enforces which environmental regulation, and the process of enforcement. It’s a good article for professional new to the field. Read the full article [here](#). (Lexology, Beveridge & Diamond PC - Andrew C. Silton, et al, 9/24/2021)

Review of the Solvent Wipe Requirements – As a review, these frequent questions (FQs) are intended for entities that generate, accumulate, clean, and/or dispose solvent-contaminated wipes in the United States. The frequent questions describe how solvent-contaminated wipes must be managed under the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) hazardous waste regulations. Access the website [here](#). (epa.gov)

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